

ABSTRACT

An instrument system. In representative embodiments, an instrument system includes an electronic instrument and a network interface module. The network interface module and the electronic instrument interchange instrument data via a first connector, the network interface module and a voice module interchange voice data via a second connector, and the network interface module and a network interchange combined voice and instrument data via a third connector. The voice data is in the form of an electronic signal. The network interface module combines instrument data and voice data into an outgoing data stream and separates the incoming data stream into its instrument data and voice data components.